

“Fracking County—A Pipeline Runs Through it”

Northampton Radio Station WHMP and Montague Community Television to host a community discussion about the proposed Tennessee Gas Pipeline

Greenfield Community College Dining Commons

June 3rd, 6-8 p.m.

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(Greenfield, MA) - WHMP Radio and Montague Community Television are presenting a community forum on the proposal by the Kinder-Morgan company to build a gas pipeline that would run through several Franklin County towns.

The two-hour forum on the proposed pipeline and on related energy and environmental policy issues will be held on Tuesday, June 3rd from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Greenfield Community College Dining Commons which seats 300. The forum is co-produced by Greenfield Community Television and Easthampton Community Access Television.

Among the panelists will be:

- 2nd Berkshire State Representative Paul Mark
- 2nd Franklin State Representative Denise Andrews
- Senior Attorney Shanna Cleveland of the Conservation Law Foundation
- Director of External Affairs Eric Johnson of the ISO-New England
- Bruce Winn of the Berkshire Environmental Action Team
- Journalist Mike Jackson, who has covered the proposal extensively for the Montague Reporter
- Executive Director Leigh Youngblood, Mount Grace Land Conservation Trust

Confirmation is pending on appearances by other experts in public utilities and the natural gas industry. Kinder Morgan's proposal will be reviewed but the corporation declined to send a representative.

The forum will be hosted by WHMP Franklin County Bureau Chief Chris Collins, attorney Bill Newman, host of WHMP's Bill Newman Show, and WHMP reporter Mary Serreze. The forum is free and open to the public, and some time will be allotted to give audience members an opportunity to speak.

The first hour of the program will focus on the gas pipeline proposal and its impact on the region's laws and regulations, local resources and property--and how the siting and approval

processes work. In the second hour, the participants will address energy policy including natural gas and renewables, safety concerns, and how energy policy decisions are made.

The program will be broadcast live on WHMP 1240 AM/1400 AM/96.9 FM and live-streamed on local TV cable access stations in Montague (Channel 15) and the following areas:

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| • Greenfield | GCTV |
| • Amherst Media | ACTV |
| • Easthampton | ECAT |
| • Northampton | NCAT |
| • Frontier | FCAT |
| • Athol Orange | AOTV |
| • Northfield Bernardston | BNCTV |
| • Shelburne Falls | Falls TV |

It will also be available live on WHMP.com and gctv.org. It will be rebroadcast on WHMP the following morning, June 4th from 8 to 10 a.m. The forum will be cablecast on Montague Community TV Channel 17 after the event.

Additional information will be posted on:

<http://whmp.com>, <http://montaguetv.org> and <http://gctv.org>.

A podcast will be available after the forum on WHMP:

<http://whmp.com/podcasts/shows/community-forums/>.

The video will be posted on MCTV's vimeo channel:

<http://vimeo.com/mctvchannel17>.